#### LAVERNE HARVEY

#### On Her Retirement

**WHEREAS,** LaVern Harvey, Business Taxes Representative, in the Sales and Use Tax Department/Sacramento Out-of-State Office, will retire on October 1, 2014, after fifteen years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS,** LaVern began her career with the Employment Development Department on June 21, 1979, as an Assistant Clerk; and

WHEREAS, on January 2, 1986, she transferred to the Department of Housing and Community Development as a Program Technician Trainee, and on April 11, 1989, she advanced to the position of Program Technician I and to Program Technician II on August 31, 1990; and

**WHEREAS,** on September 1, 2004, she transferred to the California State Board of Equalization, Special Taxes Division, as a Tax Technician II; and as a result of diligence and hard work, on June 15, 2006, she promoted to Tax Technician III; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of further diligence and hard work she transferred to the Sales and Use Tax/Sacramento Out-of-State Office on April 3, 2009, and promoted to the position of Business Taxes Representative; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, LaVern has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED,** that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to LaVern Harvey our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

#### LIZ HOUSER

#### On Her Retirement

**WHEREAS,** Liz Houser, Deputy Director, Administration Department, will retire after thirty-five years of service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS,** Liz began her career with the Student Aid Commission on October 15, 1979, as an Office Assistant; and

WHEREAS, she was promoted to an Accountant I at CalPERS then a Governmental Auditor II at the Department of General Services, working her way up to Director of Fairs and Expositions with the Department of Food and Agriculture along the way, and finally the Deputy Director, Administration, CEA IV, for the California State Board of Equalization (BOE); and

WHEREAS, during her state career Liz has proudly served in eight different departments; and counts in her many accomplishments the launch of the flexible benefits program and redesign of the employee twenty-five year and retirement award programs at the Department of Personnel Administration; the organization of the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Tri-National Agricultural Accord for the United States, Mexico, and Canada, and Ag Day at the State Capitol from 2002-2004 for the Department of Food and Agriculture, and was honored as the recipient of the 2003 National Mayors Alternative Energy Award for oversight of the funding, design, and installation of the largest photovoltaic grid in the nation which generates over 4.1 megawatts of power annually; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as the California State Board of Equalization, Deputy Director, Administration, Liz provided fiduciary oversight of a \$500 million budget, demonstrating strong leadership, sound judgment and a positive, can-do attitude. Liz worked diligently to foster a positive image for the BOE by building strong working relationships with Union Representatives, Control Agencies, and the Legislature. Under her leadership, the field office of the future was designed and implemented, offering enhanced services for taxpayers and improved working conditions for employees; the BOE's fleet was upgraded with energy efficient vehicles; the Pre-tax Transit Pass Program was implemented; a Career Center was established to assist current and prospective BOE employees; BOE's Student Assistant Program was adopted as the statewide model; the Mentoring Program was launched; and a state-of-art print shop was established: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED,** that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Liz Houser our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

# Honoring STEVEN C. KAMLIN

### On His Retirement

**WHEREAS,** Steven C. Kamlin, Tax Auditor in the San Diego Office, will retire on October 6, 2014, after more than 13 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS,** Steven began his career with the Board of Equalization on December 4, 2000, as a Tax Auditor; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Steven has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Steven C. Kamlin our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

## JUDY M. KNIGHT

### On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Judy M. Knight, Staff Services Manager I, in the Administration Department's Health and Safety Section, will retire on July 31, 2014, after over twenty-six years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Judy began her career with the Department of Education on March 14, 1988, as an Office Assistant II Typing; and transferred to the Board of Equalization (BOE) on February 1, 1994, as a Personnel Technician. She remained with the BOE throughout the rest of her career; and

WHEREAS, the BOE and her coworkers have greatly benefitted from Judy's knowledge, experience, dedication, and integrity, all the while setting an example of helpfulness, and earning the respect of management and staff; and

WHEREAS, after retirement Judy will enjoy life to its fullest, spending time with dogs and children in need, going on long walks, bicycle rides, and pursuing hobbies that have long been set aside; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout her many years of service, Judy has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Judy M. Knight our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes for her continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

#### MIKE LORENZ

#### On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Mike Lorenz, Supervising Tax Auditor III in the San Francisco Office, will retire on December 1, 2014, after thirty-five years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS,** Mike began his career with the Board of Equalization on January 28, 1980, as Auditor I in the San Francisco Office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Tax Auditor II on January 28, 1981, then to Tax Auditor III on February 1, 1984, then to Staff Tax Auditor on January 12, 1995, and promoted to Business Taxes Specialist I on March 2, 1999; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to the position of Supervising Tax Auditor I on July 7, 2000, then to Business Taxes Specialist II on June 29, 2009, then to Supervising Tax Auditor II on October 22, 2010, and was appointed to Supervising Tax Auditor III on July 1, 2012, where he served the San Francisco Office until his retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his many years of service, Mike has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Mike Lorenz our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.